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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION / RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to October 3, 2007 Office Action, Applicants hereby elect *Group I* (Claims 1-18), *Type (i)* of Species A (molecular structural alteration – Claims 3 and 4) and *Type (ii)* of Species B (absorbent polymer – Claims 15-17) without traverse, as explained below.

Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-26 are pending, with claim 1 being the only independent claim.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.